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SUBJ: KIDNAPPING OF WIFE OF U.S. CITIZEN

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED UNCONFIRMED REPORT FROM RELATIVE THAT ELENA LIMA CHIURATO, SALVADORAN, WIFE OF U.S. CITIZEN, LUIS CHIURATO, WAS KIDNAPPED MID-DAY SEPTEMBER 6. REPORT STATES THAT MRS. CHIURATO WAS FORCIBLY ABDUCTED AT CARIBE SHOPPING CENTER (SMALL SHOPPING CENTER IN WELL-TO-DO SECTION OF SAN SALVADOR). LUIS CHIURATO IS LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF SAN SALVADOR AND PART OWNER OF SALTEX CEMENT COMPANY. HIS WIFE IS REPORTED MILLIONAIRE IN HER OWN RIGHT. SOURCE SPECULATION IS THAT ALLEGED KIDNAPPING SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF RANSOM.

2. COMMENT: EMBASSY HAS NO CONFIRMATION OF THIS REPORTED KIDANPPING AND REASON FOR PASSING THE INFORMATION TO EMBASSY IS STILL NOT CLEAR. SOURCE STATED THAT NO DEMANDS FOR RANSOM HAD BEEN RECEIVED BY FAMILY AND NO INDICATION AS TO WHO CARRIED OUT ALLEGED KIDNAPPING.

3. ERNESTO RIVAS GALLONT, PROMINENT SALVADORAN BUSINESSMAN, JUST CALLED TO CONFIRM KIDNAPPING AND STATED THAT SIX TO SEVEN MEN TOOK PART IN THE ABDUCTION. HIS PERSONAL SPECULATION, CONFIDENTIAL

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ALTHOUGH FAMILY IS VERY WEALTHY, IS THAT THERE MAY BE POLITICAL IMPLICATION IN KIDNAPPING AND AN EFFORT TO EMBARRASS PRESIDENT ROMERO IN WASHINGTON.
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